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Classified By: Charge' d'Affaires, a.i. James F. Entwistle for reasons
1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) Norwegian Ambassador Hans Brattskar called Charge' early August 19 to advise that LTTE Peace Secretariat chief Pulidevan had called him late the night before to tell him that the LTTE has decided to meet with the government to discuss ways to improve implementation of the cease-fire agreement (CFA). Pulidevan told Brattskar that this decision was the direct result of the Norwegian meeting in London with LTTE theoretician Balasingham and the Norwegian letter to LTTE leader Prabhakaran passed via Balasingham (in which agreeing to a CFA meeting was one of five Norwegian suggestions on ways for the LTTE to show good faith). Upon receipt of the letter, according to Pulidevan, Prabhakaran had called an immediate LTTE central committee meeting at which it was decided to agree to the meeting with the government. Brattskar said he will now begin coordinating with the two parties on timing, location, etc. but that he expects the meeting to take place "soon."

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